

August 5, 2013

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Ms. Marlene Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Room TW-A325 Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Ex parte filing in WC Docket No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 2, 2013, the undersigned and members of Copper Valley Telephone Cooperative (CVT) met Commissioner Ajit Pai, and Jason Suslavich from Congressman Young's office.

The day started with a trip to the remote village of Tatitlek in Prince William Sound. We were joined in Tatitlek by David Totemoff, the IRA Village Council President. We discussed the RUS Community Connect grant that CVT had received from the RUS in 2008 to construct a terrestrial connection with CVT's Tatitlek exchange and how this connectivity was working to improve the lives of the residents of the village.

Commissioner Pai was thanked for the interim relief for Alaska with suspension of QRA benchmarking for the remainder of 2013 and 2014 and an offer was extended to assist the Wireline Competition Bureau in understanding the realities of operating and constructing in Alaska. We discussed with Commissioner Pai the challenges of operating in rural Alaska where snow fall averages 27 feet and temperatures can reach minus 50 Fahrenheit. We talked about the extreme distances between our exchanges and the issues of having to construct in bedrock and permafrost.

We also discussed with Commissioner Pai our concerns with the proposed Phase II Mobility Fund auction and the potential harmful impacts of a reverse auction and having a single supported carrier in the region. We discussed the impacts that this would have on the customers. We described a recent story of how CVT's wireless network assisted in saving a fisherman who had fallen into the Copper River and that one of our remote cell towers in the region was used to call emergency personnel.

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Following the visit to Tatitlek, Commissioner Pai toured the CVT operations in Valdez and met with Copper Valley Wireless personnel, and CVT engineering and plant personnel. During these visits, Commissioner Pai learned of the advanced technologies that CVT is deploying, including our 4G wireless deployment.

The final activity of the day was a tour of the Alyeska Marine Terminal.

The attached documents were provided to and discussed with Commissioner Pai during the visit.

As required by the Commission's rules, this ex parte record is now filed in the above referenced docket. If there are any questions, please call me at 907-835-7701.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

David Dengel, Chief Executive Officer Copper Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc.